Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 15 Sep 2023 until 23:59 on Saturday 16 Sep 2023

Forecast Issued on Thursday 14 Sep 2023 at 15:23 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Mainly settled conditions towards the weekend but high confidence for a change to wet and windy conditions early next week with lower confidence for details.

Headline for Friday 15 Sep 2023: Dry morning, patchy light rain in afternoon in south becoming more persistent in the evening, mainly light winds.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 15 Sep 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
No Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Dull	Dull	Dull
Precipitation probability							
<05%	<05%	10%	20%	20%	30%	30%	30%

Forecast for Friday 15 Sep 2023

Weather: Dry overnight and on Friday morning but some patchy light rain will begin to affect southern ranges south of Crianlarich in the afternoon. Cloudy at times during the day, particularly for areas in the south like the Trossachs, Lochaber hills will likely remain dry but cloudy. Rain becoming more persistent around Arran during the evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 90% decreasing 60% later in the afternoon as lower cloud affects hills in the south of the area.

Low Cloud and visibility: Patchy low cloud over some of the summits in the morning but generally a lot of clear weather and good views, especially around northern ranges towards Lochaber and the Grey Corries. Patchy becoming scattered or broken cloud forming above 600m around southern ranges by mid afternoon and cloud possibly becoming lower for Arran later in the day with visibility poor here by late afternoon.

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Forecast for Friday 15 Sep 2023

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	20/24 S	15/18 S	11/13 S	8/10 SW	5/8 NW	6/9 N	8/10 NE	10/13 NE	9/12 NE
900	13/18 SW	9/12 SW	7/9 S	5/8 SW	4/6 NW	5/7 N	6/8 N	8/12 NE	7/11 NE
600	16/20 S	11/14 S	7/9 S	5/7 NW	4/6 NW	5/7 NW	6/8 N	10/13 NE	8/11 NE
300	8/12 S	6/8 S	4/6 S	3/5 W	3/5 W	3/5 NW	4/7 N	4/7 N	4/7 N
Glen	2/8 SW	3/6 S	2/3 SW	2/4 SE	2/4 W	2/4 NW	3/7 NW	4/9 N	5/12 NE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	2/-3	2/-3	2/-2	3/-0	3/1	4/1	3/0	3/-1	2/-1
900	5/1	5/2	4/2	6/4	7/6	7/6	6/4	5/3	5/2
600	8/4	8/5	7/5	8/7	9/8	9/8	9/7	8/6	7/5
300	10/8	10/8	10/9	10/10	11/11	12/12	11/11	10/9	9/8
Glen	10/10	11/10	10/10	12/12	14/13	14/14	13/12	11/11	11/10
Freezing Level*	1500m	1500m	1500m	1500m	1600m	1600m	1700m	1700m	1600m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Feeling cool on the summits but winds becoming quite light on Friday.

Forecast for Saturday 16 Sep 2023
Weather: Perhaps cloudy with some light rain and drizzle at first on Saturday but improving from the north during the morning with some sunny spells for most during the afternoon. Feeling cooler in fresh northerly breezes.

Maximum wind: Northeast 5-10mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 80% improving to 100%, cloud lifting from the north.

Low Cloud and visibility: Scattered low cloud around southern ranges in the morning, most of Lochaber and Glencoe will be clear of low cloud in the morning, any low cloud will soon lift and clear with good views likely for all areas.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 5 rising to 13 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 3 rising to 8 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above all summits.

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